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SUBJECT: PRESS SUMMARY, JUNE 27

1. WP (PAGE 28) DATELINE NAIROBI, REPORTS THAT KENYAN POLICE HALTED TRAIN CARRYING FIVE SOVIET TANK CARRIERS BOUND FOR UGANDA, AND EXPELLED FIVE SOVIET TECHNICIANS COMMANDING TRAIN. REPORTS CIRCULATED THAT TRACKED VEHICLES BEING TRANSPORTED FROM MOMBASA WERE ARMED WITH SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILES. SOVIETS EXPELLED BECAUSE THEIR VISAS DID NOT PERMIT OVERLAND CROSSING OF KENYA.

2. SUN (PAGE 1) BY GENE OISHI, DATELINE GENEVA, REPORTS THAT SOVIET UNION HAS MADE NUMEROUS CONCESSIONS IN DRIVE TO GET CSCE SUMMIT MEETING IN HELSINKI IN JULY, BUT THEY COULD PROVE TO BE TOO LATE. ODDS FOR JULY SUMMIT STATED AS NO BETTER THAN 50-50.

3. SUN (PAGE 2) HEADLINE "SOVIET JEWS MAP NEW EXIT PROPOSALS," BY MICHAEL PARKS, DATELINE MOSCOW, REFERS TO COMPROMISE PROPOSALS BEING PREPARED BY JEWISH ACTIVISTS IN MOSCOW ON EMIGRATION-TRADE RELATIONS, WHICH WILL BE UNCLASSIFIED

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4. NYT (PAGE 2) BY JOHN W. FINNEY, REPORTS SOMALIA'S AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON INSISTS THAT SOVIET UNION HAS NOT ESTABLISHED NAVAL BASE AT BERBERA. SAID SOVIETS HAD HELPED TO BUILD "PORT FACILITIES" AT BERBERA WHICH SOMALIA ATTEMPTING TO MAKE INTO INTERNATIONAL FREE PORT FOR COMMERCIAL SHIPPING.

5. NYT (PAGE 3) DATELINE PARIS, SAYS SPECIAL EDITION OF "REPUBLICA" INDICATED SOVIET UNION CIRCULATED DOCUMENT INSTRUCTING WESTERN COMMUNIST PARTIES ON HOW TO GO ABOUT SEIZING POWER. "REPUBLICA" HAS BEEN UNABLE TO PROVE STATEMENT.

6. NYT (PAGE 13) SOVIET PRESS AGENCY TASS AND OTHER OFFICIAL INFORMATION OUTLETS REPORT INDIAN EMERGENCY IN DETAIL, OMITTING ANY MENTION OF ARREST OF COMMUNIST LEADER IN WEST BENGAL WHILE REPORTING ARREST OF NUMBER OF RIGHT-WING OPPOSITION PARTY LEADERS.

7. WSJ (PAGE 1) WASHINGTON WIRE ITEM STATES CSCE SUMMIT WITH FORD AND BREZHNEV IN ATTENDANCE APPEARS SET FOR JULY 28 IN HELSINKI. STATES ACCORDS WILL AID DETENTE BUT WON'T MEAN MAJOR RELAXATION OF EAST-WEST TENSIONS. INGERSOLL

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